

C.) REMARKS:

1. Introduction

Claims 1-20 and 69 are currently pending in this application. Claims 1, 13, 20 and 69 are independent. Claims 1-4, 7, 10-13, 20 and 69 have been amended herein. Claims 21-68 have been cancelled without prejudice. No new subject matter has been added by these amendments.

2. Objections to the Claims:

In the Office Action, the examiner had objected to certain informalities in claim 60. Claim 60 has been canceled. Accordingly, this objection is moot.

3. Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

In the Office Action, the Examiner has rejected each of the pending claims under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as obvious over U.S. Patent No. 6,393,605 to Loomans (hereinafter referred to as "Loomans") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,995,756 to Herrmann (hereinafter "Herrmann"). Applicants, however, respectfully disagree that Loomans or Herrmann, either alone or in combination, teach or suggest the recitations of the claims as amended.

In particular, each of the independent claims have been amended to recite (in various related forms):

- (a) load a top-level page into an existing context of the browser, said top-level page referencing a component library file;
- (b) loading said component library file, the component library file including an application program interface having web-based operating system components that are executed within the existing context of the browser;
- (c) transmitting a request for a server-side application from the browser;

(d) loading an application library file corresponding to the server-side application in response to the request, said application library file referencing said application program interface; and

(e) executing said application library file, wherein the web-based operating system components and the application library file provide functions of the server-side application within the browser.

Support for these amendments can be found at the following places in the Applicants' specification:

(a)-(e) p. 12, line 11 - p. 14, line 17.

These recitations are inherent in each of the dependent claims due to their ultimate dependency on one of the independent claims.

Neither Loomans nor Herrmann, or a combination of their disclosures, fairly teach or suggest these individual recitations or the claimed subject matter as a whole. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), and allowance of each of the pending claims are respectfully requested.

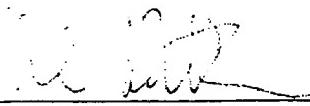
3. Conclusion

This amendment is believed to be responsive to each issue raised in the Office Action dated September 2, 2004. Entry of this amendment is earnestly solicited. Reconsideration and allowance of each of the pending claims is likewise respectfully requested. Please note the new Correspondence Address associated with Customer Number 000041461 as provided in the accompanying Change of Correspondence Address form. The Examiner is invited to contact the

undersigned attorney at the telephone number provided below if it will advance the prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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